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INTERSECTION OF WARREN PARKWAY & PARKWOOD DRIVE SHUTDOWN FOLLOWING MAJOR GAS LINE BREAK

(February 13, 2006) Utility crews are working to repair a major gas line break near the intersection of Parkwood Drive and Warren Parkway. As a result, that intersection is closed and traffic is being diverted. Firefighters are on the scene, monitoring the situation.

Firefighters say dispatchers received a call at 10:49 a.m. this morning, alerting them to the break. Chief Mack Borchardt, Frisco Fire Department, says construction crews were boring in the area when they hit a gas line, described as a major supply line feeding the Frisco Bridges development and measuring approximately 6 – 8 inches in diameter.

Atmos utility crews are at the scene, working to shut off the gas and begin repairs to the line.

Warren Parkway – just off the Dallas North Tollway – is closed to motorists. Sections of Parkwood Drive are also closed. Motorists are also being diverted through area parking lots.

No one was hurt – and firefighters say no evacuations are necessary at this time.

Utility repair crews and city traffic engineers anticipate the intersection will be closed beyond 5 p.m. this evening. Motorists are encouraged to find alternate routes.

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